

**Notice of Allowability**

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the application filed on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2003.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 20060110.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date 9/21/03
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Steve Farentinos on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

#### ***Claims***

2. In claim 1, line 5, the word "connecting" has been replaced with the words – extending between –.
3. In claim 1, line 6, the word "front" has been replaced with the words – front door–.
4. In claim 1, line 10, the words "the internal cavity of" have been replaced with the words – an internal cavity formed by –.
5. In claim 1, line 10, the words "unit, said" have been replaced with the words – unit, a mounting flange extending from said back and above said top, said –.
6. In claim 1, line 14, the words "the wheel well" have been replaced with the words – a wheel well –.
7. In claim 1, line 16, the words "said front," have been replaced with the words – said front door, –.
8. In claim 1, lines 16 and 17, the words "said latch bracket securable to said front by a lockable latch," have been deleted.

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9. In claim 1, line 19, the words "said front" have been replaced with the words – said front door –.

10. In claim 1, line 19, the words "said latch." have been replaced with the words – a lockable latch. –.

11. In claim 2, line 2, the words "and floor are" are replaced with the words – door comprises a front wall and said bottom wall –.

12. In claim 2, line 3, the words "comprising a front door" have been deleted.

13. In claim 2, lines 6 and 7, the words ",said front door and supported container swinging together as" have been replaced with the words – placed in the support unit when –.

14. In claim 2, line 7, the words "support unit" have been replaced with the words – front door –.

15. In claim 3, line 4, the words "and an" have been replaced with the words – and at an –.

16. In claim 3, line 4, the word "floor" has been replaced with the words –bottom wall –.

17. In claim 3, line 5, the words "with said door" have been replaced with the words – with said front door –.

18. In claim 3, line 6, the words "said door" have been replaced with the words – said front door –.

19. In claim 6, line 1, the words "top forms" have been replaced with the words – mounting flange is –.

20. In claim 6, line 5, the word "the" has been replaced with the word – a –.
21. In claim 7, lines 2 and 3, the words "a U.S. Army-issue surplus ammunition container" have been replaced with the words – an ammunition container. –.
22. In claim 7, lines 3 and 4, the words ", otherwise known as an ammo can" have been deleted.

### ***Specification***

23. On page 1, paragraph [0002], line 5, the words "designed carry" have been replaced with the words –designed to carry –.

### ***Drawings***

24. The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant: Currently, the bottom wall (110) is referenced in Figure 1, however, because Figure 1 is a view of the support container from the side/top it is impossible to see the bottom wall and the particular location that reference character (110) is referring. Examiner suggests that Applicant indicate the location of this bottom wall (110) in a figure that more clearly shows the bottom wall, perhaps Figure 3. In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above agreed upon drawing changes.

### ***Conclusion***


25. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Justin M. Larson whose telephone number is (571) 272-8649. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan J. Newhouse can be reached on (571) 272-4544. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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